

Application No. 09/453,935

Reply to the Notice of Allowance dated August 6, 2004

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended to be consistent with the changes to Figures 18A-18D, 23A-B, and 25A-25C submitted February 10, 2006. No new matter has been added.

No new issues are believed to have been raised by the present amendment. An early entry of this amendment is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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